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FM AMEMBASSY GABORONE

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 9071

INFO AMEMBASSY DAR ES SALAAM

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AMEMBASSY MBABANE

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USMISSION GENEVA

UNCLAS GABORONE 2238

GENEVA FOR WISNER

E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS BC RH

SUBJECT: ROAD BLOCKS IN BOTSWANA

REF: A. GABORONE 2145, B. GABORONE 2171

1. DAILY NEWS OF DECEMBER 2 REPORTS THAT PERSISTANT BOMBINGS AND HARRASSMENTS BY RHODESIAN FORCES HAVE LED TO DECISION TO SET UP ROAD BLOCKS ON ALL ROADS LEADING TO FRANCISTOWN. RELEASE FROM PRESIDENT S OFFICE STATES POLICE INSTRUCTED TO FIRE AT TIRES OF ANY VEHICLE VIOLATING INSTRUCTIONS TO STOP.

2. NEAR TRAGEDY RESULTED EVENING NOVEMBER 27 WHEN EXPATRIATE DROVE THROUGH ROAD BLOCK. POLICE FIRE, ONE SHOT STRIKING NINE-YEAR-OLD DAUGHTER IN ARM AND ABDOMEN. ACCORDING TO BULAWAYO
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CHRONICLE, FATHER CLAIMS NOT TO HAVE SEEN ROAD BLOCK AND A

NUMBER OF WHITES IN FRANCISTOWN MET TO CONSIDER THE INCIDENT.
RUMORED PROTEST MARCH, APPARENTLY, NEVER MATERIALIZED.
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